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**Rock Island County Health Department reports 1 death, 51 new cases of COVID-19**

The Rock Island County Health Department reports an additional death from COVID-19: a man in his 60s who had been hospitalized. The total number of deaths in Rock Island County from this virus is now 97.

“We offer our sympathies to his family and friends,” said Nita Ludwig, administrator of the Rock Island County Health Department. “We all must continue to take the precautions of wearing a mask, keeping at least 6 feet between you and others and washing your hands to protect all Quad Citians.”

In addition, the health department reports 51 new COVID-19 cases, bringing the total number to 3,653. Currently, 29 patients are hospitalized in Rock Island County.

The new cases are:

- 2 men in their 80s
- 4 men in their 70s
- 3 men in their 60s
- 9 men in their 50s
- 7 men in their 40s
- 3 men in their 30s
- 2 men in their 20s
- 3 boys in their teens
- 3 women in their 60s
- 4 women in their 50s
- 2 women in their 40s
- 3 women in their 30s
- 4 women in their 20s
- 1 woman in her teens
- 1 girl in her teens

No additional information regarding these cases is available due to federal privacy laws.

We all must continue to do our part to prevent further spread of COVID-19 by:

- Washing your hands frequently
- Watching your distance: Keep at least 6 feet between you and anyone else
- Wearing a face covering when you must go out

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